

7 July 1978

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: DIA/CIA Collocation

STAT 1. Upon return to the office Friday, 7 July, I had a message to call Mr. G. Carter Baird (695-7928) of the House Appropriations Committee. Before I could do so, I received another call from [redacted] DIA Focal Point Officer for the subject study, who related as follows:

STAT In order to complete design for the DIA proposed building at Bolling AFB, the Comptroller for DOD went to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and requested their concurrence to reprogram funds for that purpose. The Senate committee concurred but Representative McKay, Head of the House Subcommittee on Military Appropriations, refused to do so. General Tighe and [redacted] Deputy Assistant Secretary Installations and Housing, also discussed the matter with him but he still refused pending a report from his studies and investigations staff group as to why the building had to be located in Washington. The staff group consists of Messrs. Baird and Glynn who have offices in the Pentagon. These individuals then discussed the entire project with [redacted] who, with the concurrence of Gen. Tighe and the Secretary of Defense provided them with a copy of the joint DIA/CIA study which recommended against collocation. He did not give them any subsequent documentation supporting collocation although he did indicate to them that the DCI would have preferred if the recommendations had been the opposite of what they were. The House Committee staffers plan to discuss the project with General Tighe on Thursday, 13 July, but prior to doing so asked the name of an Agency contact, and [redacted] provided my name.

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STAT 2. At the end of the telephone conversation, [redacted] suggested that he, personally, would like the idea of collocation killed and would appreciate any help I could provide. I responded with the obvious that DIA and CIA positions were different but that, in any event, our objective would be to play it totally straight with the House staffers and let them draw whatever conclusions they wished. He then asked for feedback after my discussions with the House staffers which I agreed to provide and was assured that he would do likewise.

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3. It is obvious from the above that DLA is selectively providing information to the House staffers and only reluctantly informed us of what was going on. In view of this, I requested policy guidance from the D/L which he hoped to have firmed-up by Monday, 10 July.



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